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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce GUY W. MITCHELL, of Tupelo, as a candidate for Congress from the First Congressional District, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce E. S. CANDLE, of Corinth, as a candidate for Congress from the First Congressional District, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

LIQUOR ADVERTISEMENTS BANISHED.

The much discussed liquor advertising bill has been passed by the Legislature, and when it becomes effective will effectually restrain proprietors of newspapers throughout the state from publishing the announcements of saloonists and others who deal in vinous, spirituous and malt liquors.

While the Commercial does not publish liquor advertisements, we had nothing to say either for or against the enactment of the statute forbidding their publication, as we believe that this is a matter that should be decided by the editors as individuals rather than the lawmakers of the state. It is largely a matter of what is right or wrong, and there is an old adage to the effect that "each man is the keeper of his own conscience," which, in our opinion, applies to this case.

Without any desire to disparage the new law, we very much doubt if it will have the deterrent effect upon the sale of liquor which its proponents claim for it. An examination of the files of Mississippi newspapers reveals the fact that very few whiskey advertisements have appeared therein for several years past and it is a generally known fact that the saloonists make most of their announcements to the public in circulars sent through the mails. The sending of these circulars cannot be estopped except through national legislation, and until Congress takes action in the matter liquor dealers will experience little difficulty in advertising their wares.

Under the provisions of parliamentary procedure the bill can come up for reconsideration, but all efforts to defeat it are likely to prove ineffectual, and it will doubtless ultimately find its way to the statute books of the commonwealth. The Commercial favors the rigid enforcement of all laws, and believes that publishers of newspapers throughout the state will cheerfully comply with the provisions of the new statute banishing liquor advertisements from their pages.

A STRONG MAN PASSES AWAY.

Judge A. O. Lane, one of the best known citizens of Birmingham, expired suddenly at his home in that city last Wednesday morning, having been found dead by a maid when she went to his room to build a fire. Judge Lane was one of Birmingham's ablest lawyers and most successful politicians. He was mayor of the Magic City back in her old boom days and in 1907 was appointed by the governor as circuit judge of his district, which position he most creditably filled. When a commission form of government was created for Birmingham in 1911 he was appointed one of the commissioners, and held that position until last year, when he went before the people in an election, and was defeated by Arlie Barber.

Judge Lane, who was 68 years old, was well-known throughout Alabama as one of its most intelligent and upright citizens, and his death is a distinct loss not only to the city of Birmingham but to the entire state.

STRONG WITH THE PEOPLE.

Although President Wilson has many enemies among politicians, not a few of them being within the ranks of his own party, he is undoubtedly strong with the people at large, and citizens generally throughout the country. Irrespective of nationality or party affiliation, have the utmost confidence in both his integrity and his ability.

Of course there may be in this country some Germans and not a few German sympathizers who think that his policy in dealing with the Kaiser has been too harsh, but the action of Germany in the present war has been of a character that required drastic action on the part of powerful nations whose subjects she attacked, and President Wilson has taken only such action as was absolutely necessary to preserve and uphold the dignity of the United States.

That President Wilson is popular not only in the south but in all parts of the country is evinced by the following interview with S. K. Slaton, a Brooklyn traveling man, which appeared in a recent issue of the Birmingham Age-Herald:

"I spent last week in Illinois and Indiana, the week before in Missouri, and nearly everywhere I met was a Wilson man. The President has a wonderfully enthusiastic following in the east and if the election were held tomorrow he would be victorious by a decisive majority. Roosevelt, who, from all appearances, will be the Republican-Progressive nominee, is strong in some states but I do not believe he will be able to defeat Wilson.

"Just what effect Bryan's knifing of Wilson will have in November cannot be foreseen. Bryan is no longer a man of powerful influence. His recent acts have estranged many of his old supporters. Still, there may be enough Bryanites to encompass Wilson's defeat. The shame of it is that such a thing were possible."

NOTHING NEW.

A millionaire
Is on the rack,
He wants to get
Some letters back.
—Age Herald.

A booze seller
Is on the farm
Because a patron
Gave the alarm.

A splendid tribute was recently paid to Frank L. Stanton, the gifted poet whose delightful verses have for a number of years past been a distinct feature of the editorial page of the Atlanta Constitution. A body of business men in the Gate City set aside a day to be known as "Frank L. Stanton Day," and proceeded to celebrate it, having sent the gifted philosopher and rhymester numerous felicitous and congratulatory messages. Many poets, both past and present, have failed signally to achieve contemporary popularity, but Mr. Stanton seems to be an exception, as he evidently "stands in" with the people among whom he lives.

The demolition of the old West House on Main street, which is soon to be razed to make way for a garage, will mark the passage of one of the most ancient hostilities in Columbus. It has been operated as a place of public entertainment for many years, and hundreds of weary travelers have found rest and succor within its walls. It is one of the landmarks of Columbus, and its demolition is worthy of more than passing note.

Anna Held, who recently appeared here in a motion picture, is a native of France, and, according to press dispatches, the European war has transformed her from a mirthful sprite into a most miserable maid; and if these dispatches are true, she is now singing the patriotic "Marseillaise" instead of the frothy "Won't You Come Out and Play with Me?" which did so much to bring her popularity among American audiences.

Today marks the close of the second year of the incumbency of Dr. J. L. Vipperman as pastor of the First Baptist church, and the event will be celebrated at that edifice with an appropriate anniversary program. Dr. Vipperman is a ripe scholar, a profound thinker and a convincing speaker, and members of the congregation of the First Baptist church are to be congratulated upon having such an able man as their pastor.

Among the Churches.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR TODAY.

The Death of Stephen.

Acts vii. 54-60.

54. When they heard these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed on him with their teeth.

55. But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up steadfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God.

56. And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right side of God.

57. Then they cried out with a loud voice, and ran upon him with one accord.

58. And cast him out of the city, and stoned him: and the witnesses laid down their clothes at a young man's feet, whose name was Saul.

59. And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.

60. And he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he said this, he fell asleep.

Golden Text—"Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." Rev. ii. 10.

BAPTIST.

First Baptist.

Sunday school this morning at 9:30 o'clock. Mr. E. C. Chapman, assistant superintendent.

Anniversary services at 11 a. m., regular preaching service at 7 p. m. Baraca class at 10 o'clock in the Baraca class rooms.

Regular weekly prayer meeting, Wednesday at 7:45 o'clock.

Young women's Missionary Society meets Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Armstrong Society meets every first and third Tuesday at 4 o'clock. Girls' Auxiliary meets every Wednesday afternoon.

J. L. VIPPERMAN, Pastor.

Second Baptist.

Sunday school, 10 a. m. Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Young People's Union Sunday evening at 7 o'clock.

The Woman's Missionary Society meets every other Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

All are cordially invited to attend these services.

REV. W. I. ALLEN, Pastor.

METHODIST.

First Methodist.

Baraca class meets at 9:45. All of the men of the church urged to join this class.

Sunday school at 9:30 a. m., A. H. Pegues, superintendent.

Services today, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

The Woman's Missionary society will meet the first and third Tuesdays of each month.

The pastor's aid will meet regularly the afternoon of the first and third Tuesday of every month.

Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock instead of Thursday evening.

W. L. DUREN, Pastor.

Central Methodist.

Teachers' Council, 9:30 a. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m., Mr. J. T. Clardy, superintendent.

Junior League at 2:30 p. m.; Senior League at 3:30 p. m.

Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening at 7:30.

All cordially invited to attend these services.

J. M. CARPENTER, Pastor.

Church of Annunciation (Catholic.) High mass and sermon every Sunday and holy day during the year, except on the fourth Sunday in the month, at 10 a. m.

At 3 p. m., on all Sundays except the fourth Sunday in the month, Catechetical instruction and at 4 p. m., rosary and benediction with the blessed sacrament.

Every morning in the week, holy mass at 8 o'clock.

FATHER YOERG, Priest.

St. Paul's Church (Episcopal.) Holy communion, 7:30 a. m., except first Sunday. First Sunday, holy communion and sermon, 11 a. m.

Sunday school, 9:30 a. m., in the Parish House, Mr. E. R. Hopkins, superintendent.

Morning prayer and sermon, 11 a. m.

Evensong, 4:30 p. m.

Holy days there will be a celebration of the holy communion at 10 a. m. Litany every Wednesday at 10 a. m.

The Ladies' Aid meets on the first and third Wednesdays after Litany. The Altar Guild on the second Wednesday after Litany.

The Woman's Auxiliary on the fourth Wednesday after Litany.

The Bible class meets every Friday in the Parish House at 4:30 p. m.

This church is open daily for private prayer and meditation from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all to come and worship with us.

REV. W. S. SLACK, Rector.

First Presbyterian.

Regular weekly worship. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Warren M. Cox, superintendent; Prof. Vincent Frierson, assistant superintendent.

Meeting of Men's Brotherhood at

10 a. m. All men earnestly urged to be present.

Woman's Bible class, 10 a. m. Meeting of Church Session to receive new members at 10:45 a. m.

Prayer, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The public cordially invited to attend all the services of this church.

R. H. EGGLESTON, Pastor.

Temple B'nai Israel.

Services every Friday night at 7:30. MR. S. LOEB, Minister.

Christian Church.

Bible school at 9:30 a. m. Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. by Rev. D. A. Leake, the new pastor.

The Meaning of Efficiency.

The first thing required of a man today is honesty. Next to honesty efficiency is the most important quality a man could possess.

What does it mean to be efficient? It means that we must excel in whatever we take hold of. There is and old saying: "Do a thing well or not at all." There is no reason why we should have to do a thing over for the second time. Do it right at first, be capable. Neglecting small things will lead to neglecting larger ones and it will cause us twice as much work in the end.

We should be efficient in our school work and if we are efficient while here, we are almost sure to be so in our later life.

Bookkeeping students especially should learn to be capable and exact, for they are the ones that will be examples of what it means to be efficient when they go out into the business world.

Those who take bookkeeping often make the mistake of rushing through but they will suffer for it in the end. It is far better for them to go slower and learn perfectly what they are going over.

As the capable student is always rewarded for his work, so is the man in ordinary life rewarded for his extra work or maybe his necessary work.

Therefore, we should strive to be efficient in whatever line of work we undertake.—The Vermillion.

Notice to Creditors.

The State of Mississippi, Lowndes County.

Letters Testamentary having been granted and issued upon the Estate of Lafayette Penrose, deceased, by the Chancery Court of Lowndes County, Mississippi, on the 2nd day of March, A. D. 1916.

This is to give notice to all persons having claims against said estate to Probate and Register same with the Chancery Clerk of Lowndes County, within one year from this date. A failure to so probate and register said claim will forever bar the same.

T. M. CUMMINGS, Executor.

This March 2nd, 1916.

MAINLY ABOUT WOMEN

The Christian church in Oklahoma has three women as ordained ministers.

The Wisconsin Legislature legalized the practice of law by women in 1877.

Eight of the women who founded the Chicago Women's Club forty years ago are still living.

A nine-hole golf course for women exclusively is soon to be added to the attractions of Palm Beach, Fla.

Miss Lizzie E. Wooster, of Salina, is a candidate for the Republican nomination for State superintendent of public instructions in Kansas.

By a vote of 52 to 40 the lower house of the Virginia Legislature rejected a resolution proposing a referendum on woman suffrage.

Mrs. E. Blish Thompson of Seymour, Ind., whose husband was drowned on the Lusitania, proposes to send an automobile as a present to Gen. Joffre, the French commander.

Miss Adele M. Stewart, who holds an important position in the office of the Comptroller of the Currency at Washington, examines the reports of over 7,500 national banks at least five times each year.—Ex.

Sweetheart Soap coupons carried by the New Orleans Item of Sunday, February 20th (the only breakfast, front gallery daily) will be redeemed at Laws' Drug Store promptly. Turn in your coupons and get your "lather."

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FATAL ACCIDENTS IN HOMES

To the man who says "I do not need accident insurance; I don't travel and I spend most of my time at home and in my office," this list of FATAL accidents in Chicago homes in one year is an eye opener:

	Fatal.		Fatal.
142 Accidental Asphyxiations	54	56 Falling from Stepladders	3
62 Asphyxiated in Bathrooms	21	28 Falling from Chairs	3
34 Accidental Cuttings	2	32 Falling over Railings	2
41 Accidental Poisonings	12	55 Falling in Other Ways	12
430 Bitten by Dogs	2	47 Firearm Accidents in Homes	6
110 Burns and Scalds	64	64 Gasoline and Gas Explosions	7
310 Falling Down Stairs	76	132 Suffocations and Smotherings	47
84 Falling from Windows	26	208 Unclassified	9
64 Falling from Porches	13		

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